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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Overrun on [] T.O. 16

1. On 10 October 1967, [] representatives [] visited NPIC and informed [] and myself of an impending overrun on the referenced contract (The Digitized Measuring Light Table). There are basically two reasons for the overrun. First, [] underbid the contract and did not calculate their anticipated costs properly. Second, [] misinterpreted [] description of the DIG measuring system.

2. The literature distributed on the DIG system described it as having a capability to enter a preset number into the counter. The literature did not, however, state how this was to be done. After the order for the DIG system was placed with [] learned of the actual method required to zero reset and preset reset the counters. This method involves the operator finding the difference between the value displayed and the preset value and then entering this difference in the decade switches (this would have to be done for each axis). In order to eliminate this cumbersome method requires an additional []

3. [] now estimates that an additional [] will be required to complete the project using the DIG system in its present configuration. Thus [] estimates that an additional [] will be required to complete the project using the preset and zero reset modes outlined in the specifications.

4. I recommend that [] be allowed to overrun the estimated contract price by [] and supply the Digitized Measuring Light Table Control Console with the automatic preset reset and zero reset modes included.

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